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DISNA MRBM COMPLEX, USSR LAUNCH AREA NO 3

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DISNA MRBM COMPLEX, USSR
LAUNCH AREA NO 3

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Launch Area No 1 (TDI name: Disna MRBM Launch Site) -- Type I 55-35-15N 28-15-45E

Launch Area No 2 (TDI name: Zelki MRBM Launch Site) -- Type II 55-36-00N 28-24-30E

Launch Area No 3 (TDI name: Borkovichi MRBM Launch Site) -- Type II 55-42-00N 28-27-15E

Disna Fixed Field MRBM Site (TDI name: Dernovichi SSM Fixed Field Position) 55-47-45N 28-20-00E

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This report updates that portion of NPIC/R-153/63 1/ concerning Launch Area No 3. Information on the remainder of the Disna MRBM Complex is given in that report and NPIC/R-5046/64. 2/ Launch Area No 3 is a complete Type II launch area located 4.6 nautical miles (nm) east-northeast of Borkovichi and 11.4 nm northeast of Disna, in the Belorussian SSR (Figure 1).

Launch Area No 3 is located in a sloping, wooded area at an elevation of approximately 400 feet. Launch Areas No 1 and 2, both complete Type I launch areas, are located 9.2 nm southwest and 6.2 nm south-southwest, respectively, from Launch Area No 3. A good, probably all-weather road system connects Launch Area No 3 to Launch Areas No 1 and 2 and the fixed field site. The road system also connects the launch area to the railyard at Borkovichi, 4.6 nm to the west-southwest, which is the probable rail-to-road transfer point for the complex.

Launch Area No 3 was first observed under construction in [REDACTED], at which time Launch Areas No 1 and 2 appeared complete. Because of the poor quality of that photography, only an outline of Launch Area No 3 was visible. Subsequent coverage of [REDACTED] revealed little more than the out-

line of the launch area and the first good observation of the launch area was not until [REDACTED], at which time it appeared complete. [REDACTED]

depicts the launch area as containing a launch site, site support facility, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. The launch site consists of 4 elongated pads, each with a drive-in ready building and a control building between each pair (Figure 2). To the north of the ready building is a technical section containing a row of 6 horizontal tanks and 2 other groupings of horizontal tanks of 2 and 3, respectively. Some are believed to be used for the storage of an oxidizer, the others for missile propellant.

[REDACTED]

The site support facility is located approximately 500 feet to the east. It consists of 6 barracks, 2 garages having a concrete apron between them, 2 probable command/headquarters buildings, 2 probable administration buildings, and many storage or miscellaneous buildings. The [REDACTED]

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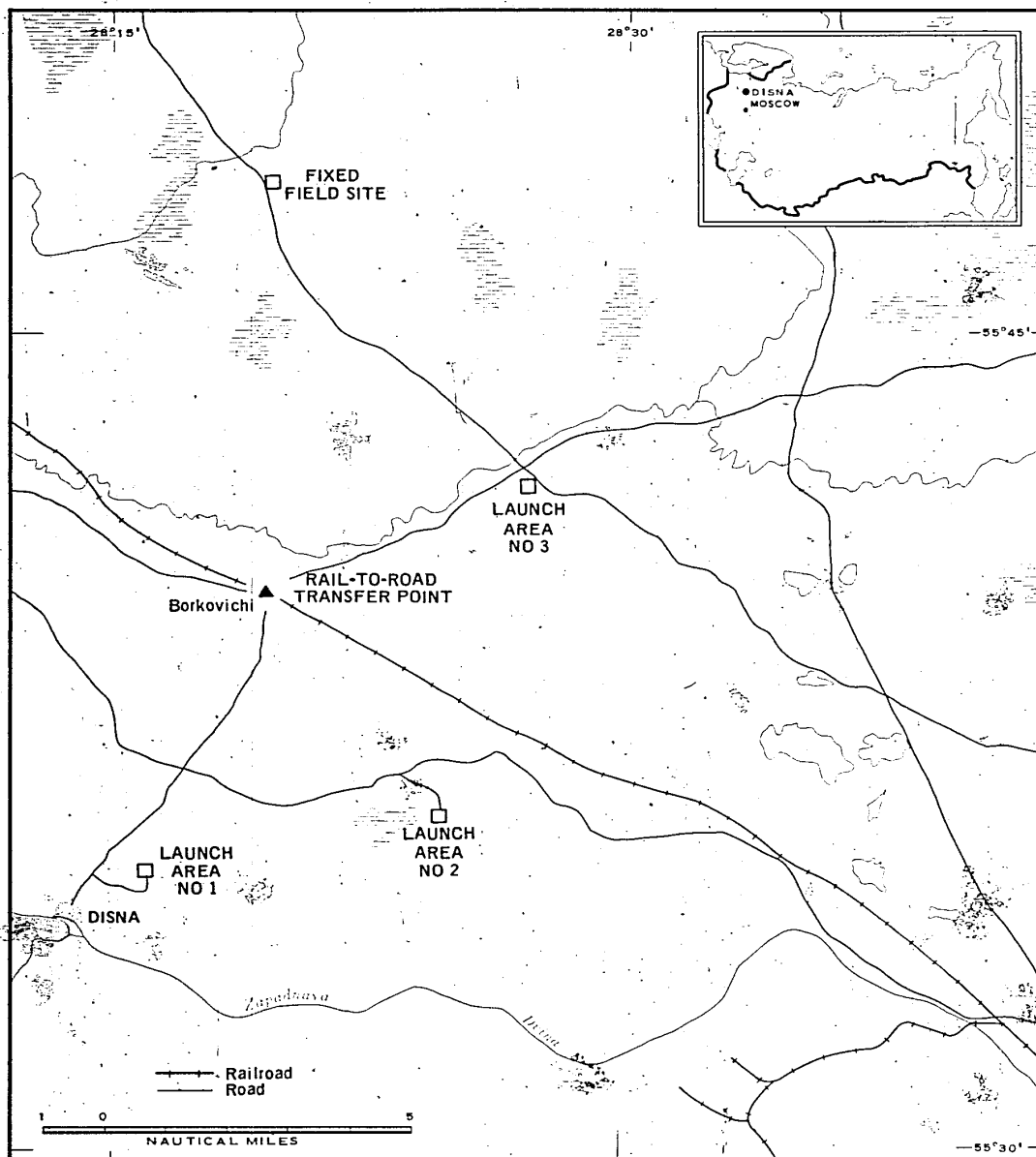


FIGURE 1. DISNA MRBM COMPLEX, USSR.

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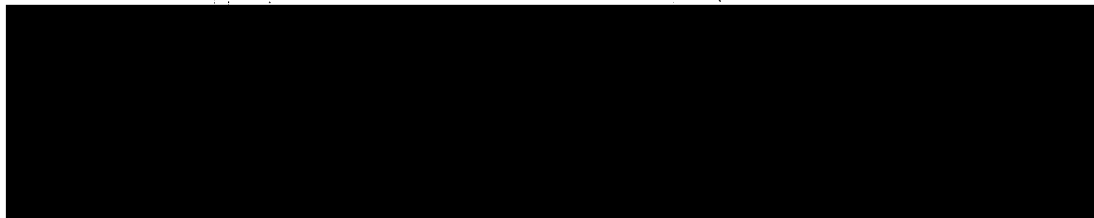
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